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FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PGOV, PLO,JO, US
SUBJECT: PLO CONTACTS

1. ON AUGUST 9, I SAW LOCAL EDITORIAL WRITER FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER TO DISCUSS WITH HIM U.S. MIDDLE EAST POSITION. TALK WAS GENERAL AND ON DEEP BACKGROUND AND DID NOT TOUCH ON SECRETARY'S VISIT EXCEPT FOR RECENT PRESS STATEMENTS.
2. AT THE END OF THE VISIT, WRITER VOLUNTEERED TO ME THAT HE WAS AMMAN SOURCE OF VALERIANI STORY THAT PLO WOULD ACCEPT 242/338 WITH RESERVATION ON "PALESTINIAN RIGHTS."
3. WRITER CLAIMED HE GOT STORY FROM HIGH-LEVEL PLO SOURCE IN WHICH HE HAD IMPLICIT TRUST. LATER WRITER ALSO VOLUNTEERED TO PAO FOSTER WHO ACCOMPANIED HIM TO MEETING THAT HE HAD SEEN ACTUAL DOCUMENT IN HANDS OF PLO SOURCE AND/OR JORDANIAN GOVERNMENT FIGURE. (IT WAS NOT ACTUALLY

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CLEAR WHETHER ONE OR BOTH WERE INVOLVED AND IF SO WHICH ONE.) DOCUMENT WAS DESCRIBED AS A SINGLE PAGE, PLAIN PAPER MARKED SECRET AT THE TOP WITH A STATEMENT ON PLO ACCEPTANCE OF 242/338.

4. GIVEN TIMING INVOLVED IT HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT DOCUMENT IN QUESTION, IF IT IS GENUINELY A COPY

OF PIECE OF PAPER WHICH SECRETARY HAS BEEN CARRYING
WITH HIM, COULD HAVE COME FROM ANYWHERE BUT AMMAN
OR DAMASCUS STOPS. WE FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE
THAT FIVE COPIES WHICH WERE PASSED OUT TO KING
AND HIS PRINCIPAL ADVISORS WOULD HAVE BEEN SHOWN
EITHER TO WRITER IN QUESTION OR PLO HERE.
WRITER IS INDEED IN BAD ODOR FOR EDITORIAL HE
WROTE ON SECRETARY'S VISIT.

5. COMMENT: WRITER WAS INSISTENT THAT HIS
SOURCE WAS GOOD ON PLO INFORMATION WHICH LATER
PASSED ON TO VALERIANI. HE DID HOWEVER ADMIT
THAT PLO OFTEN HAS "TOO MANY SPOKESMAN." HIS
DESCRIPTION OF PAPER NOT LIKELY TO HAVE BEEN
CONTRIVED AND WE BELIEVE HE PROBABLY ACTUALLY
SAW DOCUMENT.
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